

**REQUEST****FOR****CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/996,773
Confirmation Number	4591
Filing Date	November 30, 2001
First Named Inventor	Yasushi HARA
Group Art Unit	1751
Examiner Name	WEBB, Gregory E.
Matter Number	Q67446
Title	RESIST STRIPPER

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on January 16, 2004
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time  
Copy of Fax transmittal to Examiner; copy of PTO Stamped Filing Receipt and copy of
- v. ☒ Other Amendment filed January 16, 2004

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**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all  
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any  
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

**CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below:

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CUSTOMER NUMBER

**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**Name Peter D. Olexy Registration No. 24,513Signature  Date March 17, 2004